



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5408

February Session, 2004

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AN ACT CONCERNING FOOD ALLERGIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-36a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in
4 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to assure that food
5 service establishments employ as food operators persons who have a
6 knowledge of safe food handling techniques and to set requirements
7 for the employment of food operators by such establishments. Such
8 regulations shall include, but not be limited to, responsibilities of food
9 service establishments and their employees, exemptions for certain
10 classes of food establishments and responsibilities of local health
11 departments in monitoring compliance of food establishments.

12 (b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in
13 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, requiring all food service
14 establishments to (1) have a person available when the food service
15 establishment is serving food, who is able to answer consumer
16 inquiries about food ingredients, and (2) list on the menu the
17 ingredients in each food item served by the food service establishment
18 or include a statement on the menu that a complete ingredient list is
19 available upon request. For purposes of complying with the provisions
20 of this section, it shall not be sufficient to state that all or substantially

- 21 all of the food products served may contain allergens.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2004</i>

PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*